

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Matthew Jorge on March 12, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

claim 31,

line 13, changed "coupled" to --mounted on the door panel--

line 24, inserted --if the door panel moves out of the predetermined normal path,-- following "wherein"

line 25, changed "even if the door panel moves out of" to --and the biasing element is extended.--

deleted line 26

claim 38,

line 4, changed "is to urge" to --urges--

line 5, changed "beyond" to --out of--

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claim 42,

line 2, changed the first occurrence of "the" to --a--

canceled claim 43

claim 45,

line 9, changed "path of pedestrian and vehicle travel" to --doorway--

line 11, changed "coupled to" to --mounted on-- and deleted "side or"

line 13, deleted "side or"

line 19, inserted --when the door panel moves out of the predetermined normal path-- following "housing"

claim 48,

line 2, changed "is to return" to --urges--

line 3, inserted --return to-- following "to"

line 4, inserted --after the door panel moves out of the predetermined normal path-- following "path"

claim 50,

line 2, deleted "is"

line 4, changed "to urge" to --urges--

line 5, changed "beyond" to --out of--

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claim 54,

line 2, inserted --is pliable and-- following "member" and changed the first occurrence of "the" to --a--

canceled claim 55

claim 56,

line 1, changed "panel retention" to --elongate member is--
changed line 2 to --resilient.--

canceled claim 57

claim 58,

line 1, changed "57" to --45--

canceled claims 59, 62 and 63

claim 60,

line 1, changed "59" to --31--

line 3, changed "is to urge" to --urges--

claim 61,

line 1, changed "59" to --45--

claim 66,

line 2, inserted --along the lower track-- following "follower"

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gregory J. Strimbu whose telephone number is 571-272-6836. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:00 to 4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Katherine Mitchell can be reached on 571-272-7069. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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